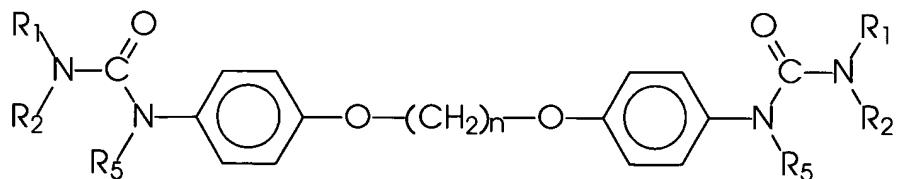
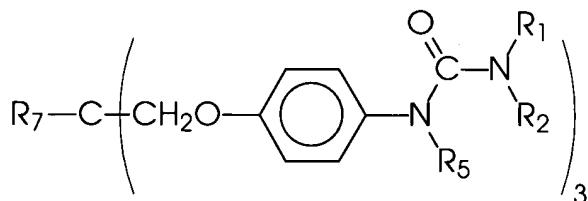
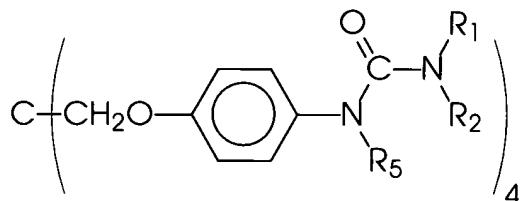


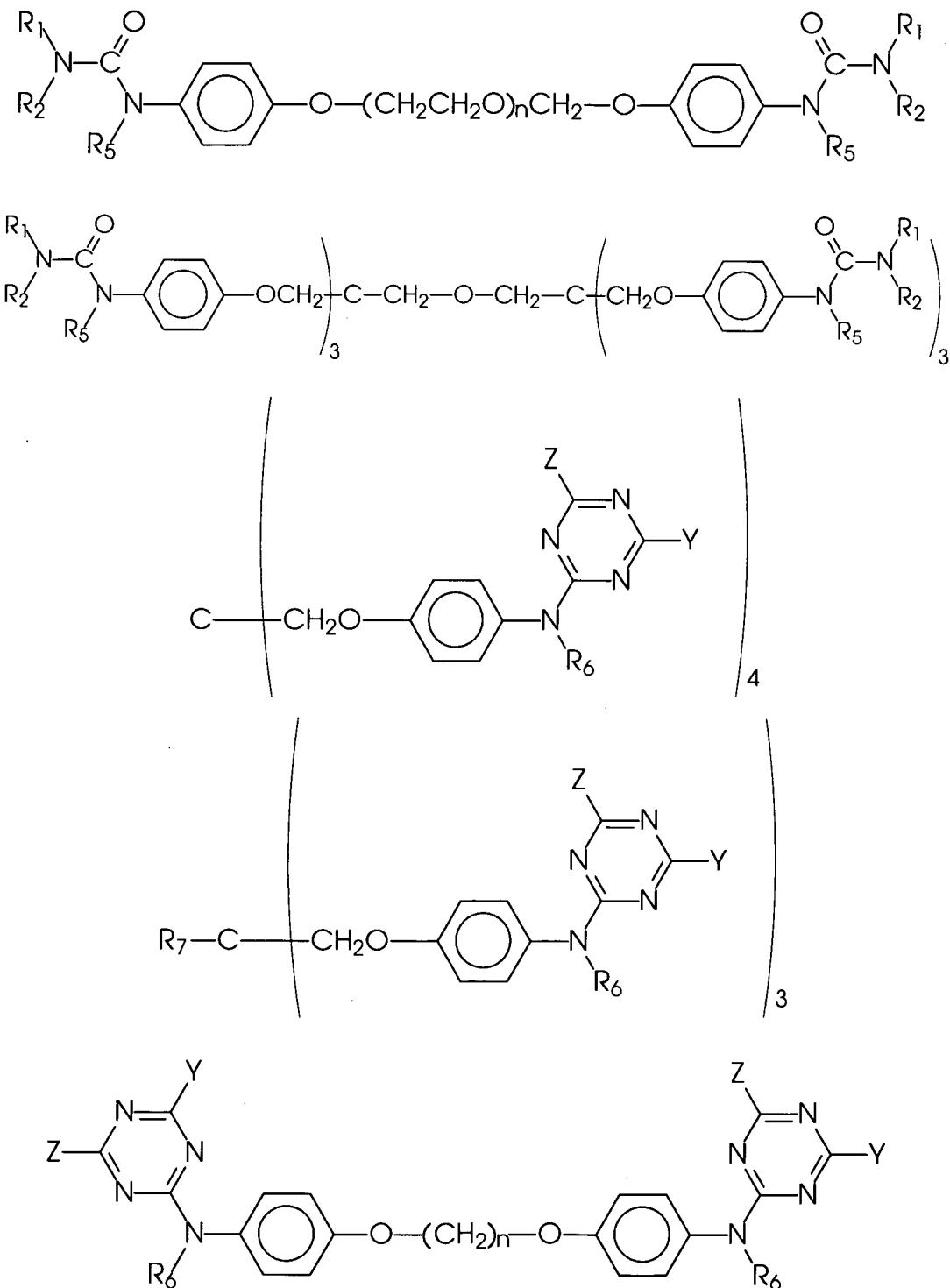
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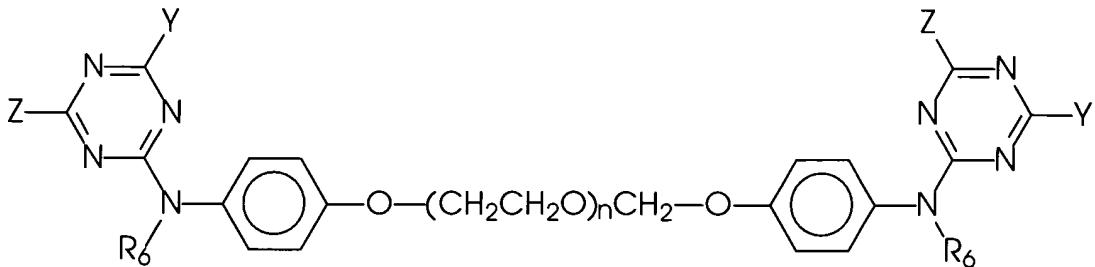
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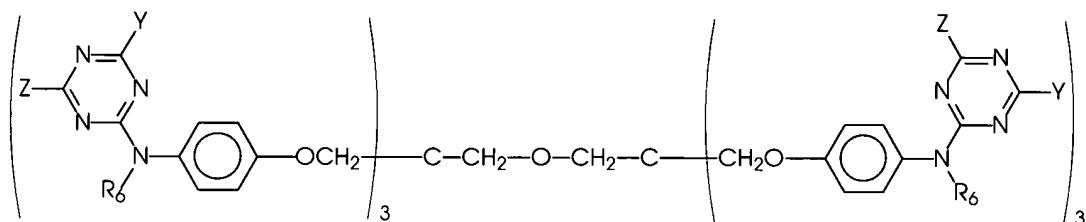
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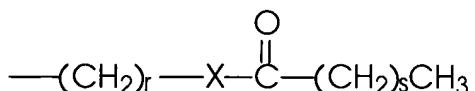


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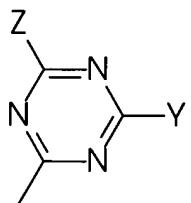


wherein Z is a group of the formula $-OR_1$, a group of the formula $-SR_1$, or a group of the formula $-NR_1R_2$, Y is a group of the formula $-OR_3$, a group of the formula $-SR_3$, or a group of the formula $-NR_3R_4$, n is an integer representing the number of repeat (CH_2) or (CH_2CH_2O) units, wherein provided that at least one of R_1 , R_2 , R_3 , R_4 , R_5 , and R_6 is a hydrogen atom, provided that at least one of R_1 , R_2 , R_3 , R_4 , R_5 , and R_6 is other than a hydrogen atom, and provided that at least one Z or Y within the compound is a group of the formula $-NR_1R_2$ or a group of the formula $-NR_3R_4$, R_1 , R_2 , R_3 , R_4 , R_5 , R_6 , and R_7 each, independently of the others, is (i) a hydrogen atom, (ii) an alkyl group, (iii) an aryl group, (iv) an arylalkyl group, or (v) an alkylaryl group, and wherein R_7 can also be (vi) an alkoxy group, (vii) an aryloxy group, (viii) an arylalkyloxy group, (ix) an alkylaryloxy group, (x) a polyalkyleneoxy group, (xi) a polyaryleneoxy group, (xii) a polyarylalkyleneoxy group, (xiii) a polyalkylaryleneoxy

group, (xiv) a silyl group, (xv) a siloxane group, (xvi) a polysilylene group, (xvii) a polysiloxane group, or (xviii) a group of the formula



wherein r is an integer representing a number of repeat CH_2 groups, wherein s is an integer representing a number of repeating CH_2 groups, and wherein X is (a) a direct bond, (b) an oxygen atom, (c) a sulfur atom, (d) a group of the formula ---NR_{40} wherein R_{40} is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, an aryl group, an arylalkyl group, or an alkylaryl group, or (e) a group of the formula $\text{---CR}_{50}\text{R}_{60}$ wherein R_{50} and R_{60} each, independently of the other, is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, an aryl group, an arylalkyl group, or an alkylaryl group, and wherein R_6 can also be



Also disclosed are phase change ink compositions comprising a colorant and a phase change ink carrier comprising a material of this formula.